

INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

(LATE THE HALL & HOLTZ CO., LTD.)

HALF-YEARLY CLEARANCE SALE.

MONDAY NEXT AND FOLLOWING DAYS.

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S OUTFITTING DEPARTMENTS.

GENTLEMEN'S TAILORING AND OUTFITTING DEPARTMENTS.

SEE SPECIAL CIRCULAR.

NOTICE—Compulsory Clearance Sale of His Chase and other Furniture, Furnishing Requisites, &c., &c., in view of extensive Alterations to Premises.

This important Sale commences on Tuesday, July 1st. For further particulars see future announcements.

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Hongkong, 8th June, 1890.

simply a licence to squeeze. The struggling suppression idea is merely introduced to give a fair colour to the business. An increase of taxation must obviously act as an additional incentive to smuggling. The syndicates are themselves dealers [*i.e.*] opium, and they intend to make all other dealers pay an additional tax from which their own opium will be free; if the arrangements permit of their evading the legal duty also, these smuggling syndicates will no doubt become smugglers themselves. The arrangement is clearly a dishonest one, and if the Minister at Peking makes proper representations, there can be little doubt that it will be disapproved. The Additional Article to the Chia-ching Convention provides that the Customs certificate given on payment of the import duty and lekin shall free the Opium "from the imposition of any further tax or duty whatever."

In the *Han-kiang* case, the quantity imported into Japan in consequence of the advance in the price of native rice (*saya* the *Gazette*) very considerably. According to the return made by the proconsul, the quantity imported during last month was 209,663 piculs, amounting \$785,260 ed., and the total quantity imported from January to this month was 553,783 piculs, amounting \$1,444,512.

The *Singapore Free Press* regrets to hear that Mr. James Mc-Carthy, who was a member of the San Francisco Commission, has sent in his resignation, being indignant at certain imputations made by Slaves officials upon his conduct of the Commission. Those who know Mr. McCarthy are assured that if ever Slaves had a faithful and loyal officer he possessed it in the chief of her Survey Department.

The *Graphic* says that Polo has proved so fatal in India this season that the Commander-in-Chief is likely to prohibit polo tournaments altogether. Since the game first came into favour it has become much more dangerous, the greater portion being used with the pique, at which the game has grown popular in much faster.

Riders cannot pull up their horses so easily when going at such a high rate of speed, hence the numerous disasters.

According to the *Velocipede* papers that the Japanese authorities have been unable to find the actual body who assassinated the Emperor at Tokyo, and the last gentleman not having passed the master, the affair has been allowed to drop, or, as our Japanese correspondents express it, has been settled. This seems to be an unsatisfactory termination of a serious and unprovoked assault, and if the American Minister has any spirit the matter will be brought to the notice of the Japanese.

A special telegram to the *Japan Mail* from Koko has arrived here. She reports having received news from Manila that the *U.S.A.* has been ordered to return to the port of Manila.

The P. & O. steamer *Sulfer*, outward bound, which was considerably overdue at Gibraltar, has arrived at that port.

The *Times* returned to Shanghai on the 2nd last, having recovered eleven bodies of natives drowned when the *Poaching* was burnt.

The British steamer *Antenor*, from Hongkong, reached Chinkiang on the 31st ult., and 35,000 half-chests of new season's tea for the London market.

The French flagship *Dubouzet*, Captain de Boussac, arrived at Singapore on the 2nd instant, en route to the Pacific station.

A boatman named Kwok Fung was found floating in the harbour on Saturday morning. The deceased had been missing since the 1st inst., and is supposed to have committed suicide.

Jesuit Ramsey Ormsby, aged 40 years, living at No. 2 Kennedy Street, died very suddenly about 3.30 p.m. on Friday night. The deceased is said to have been drinking heavily for the past few days.

The French tropicop *Ving-Long*, from Tonkin, arrived at Siam on the 2nd ult. and 35,000 half-chests of new season's tea for the London market.

The following returns of the average amount of bank notes in circulation and of coins in revenue in Hongkong, during the month ended 31st May, as certified by the managers of the respective Banks, are published in the *Gazette*:

BANKS AMOUNT IN RESERVE
Chartered Merchantile Bank of India, London and China 1,167,383 400,000
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China 1,187,373 600,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation 8,600,340 1,500,000
\$3,935,093 \$2,500,000

On the 24th May saw the *Elbowe*, Siam, when a salute of twenty-one guns was being fired at the Kammera Fort, to celebrate the birth-day of Her Majesty the Queen of England, a serious accident occurred. The first round having been fired at gun No. 1, the gunner proceeded to load a cartridge, but the tube not having been properly sprung out, a portion of the covering of the former cartridge remained, and it exploded, killing the gunner. The gunner was buried without delay.

In answer to a question by Sir John Lubbock, in the House of Commons on the 8th May, Mr. Summers asked the Chancellor of the Exchequer what would be the estimated loss to the revenue if the reduction of the postage rates to India and the British colonies was from 5d. and 1d. instead of 2d. as proposed by him.

Mr. Bates, who replied on behalf of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, said—"The loss to the Imperial revenue by reducing the postage on letters to India and the colonies from 2d. as proposed by him to 1d. would be £180,000 a year, and that loss, I may add, would be in addition to the loss which is at present sustained by the expenditure on ocean mail services being already very largely in excess of the postage charged to the public."

On the 5th May, in the House of Commons, in answer to the Attorney in the *Elbowe*, the House of Commons on the 8th May, Sir J. F. R. E. S. E., lately extension lecturer at St. Andrews, we learn, from the *N. C. Daily News*, was engaged as teacher of Science for the Polytechnic Institution in Shanghai and will shortly arrive there.

The *Vareri*, one of the vessels of the Siamese Squadron, got stranded recently at Sayle Bank, at the entrance of Klang Straits. Assistance to get her off was being rendered from Singapore and H. S. M. S. *Bangkok* and *Cape Clear* were standing by the stranded vessel.

The Agents (Messrs. Arnolds, Karberg & Co.), inform us that the Norddeutscher Lloyd's steamer *Braunschweig*, carrying the German mails dated 18th May, left Singapore on the 7th instant at 5 p.m. and may be expected here about Thursday, the 12th instant.

His Majesty the King of Siam, with the Queen, Crown Prince, and suite arrived in Singapore on the evening of the 30th May. The King is travelling incognito, and the usual salute was therefore not fired. He has a following of over two hundred persons, and there are also about two hundred troops.

It is notified in Saturday's *Gazette* that "Her Majesty has not been advised to exercise her power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinance, namely, Ordinance No. 34 of 1889, of the State of Siam."

SCOTCH WHISKY.

A Tenth Blend, White Cap... 8. 0.75
B Watson's Glenorchy Mal... 10. 1.00
C Watson's Old Scotch Mal... 8. 0.75
D Watson's Old Scotch Mal... 10. 1.00
E Watson's Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, Gold Cap... 12. 1.10

IRISH WHISKY.

A John Jameson's Old Pale... 8. 0.75
B John Jameson's Fine Old... 10. 1.00
C John Jameson's Very Fine Old... 12. 1.10
D Watson's Ahablon-Glenlivet, Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark... 8. 0.75
E Watson's Scotch Mal... 10. 1.00
F Watson's Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, Gold Cap... 12. 1.10

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A Fine Old Tom, White Cap... 4. 50 0.40
B Fine Unpeated, White Cap... 4. 50 0.40
C Fine V. G. G. 5. 25 0.50

BRUM.

Fine Old Jamaica, Violet Capsule... 10. 1.00
Good Leeward Island... \$1.50 per Gallon

LIQUORS.

Brandy, Marschino, Beech's Cherry Cordial

Chloroform, Dr. Siegel's Angostura Bitters, &c.

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We understand a despatch has been received from the Foreign Office in reference to the proposed increase of official salaries, and that it will be laid on the table of the Legislative Assembly this afternoon. It is reported that an increase of 10 per cent has been approved, but we are unable to furnish the correctness of these reports.

An additional by-law has been made by the Governor in Council under the provisions of Section 15 of Ordinance 17 of 1877 revoking By-laws 1, 2, and 3 in Schedule B, and substituting the following—"No sheep or cattle shall be slaughtered for human food in any of the slaughter houses unless bearing an official mark showing their fitness for such purpose."

The first tea-steamer of the season, the *Mutual Assurance*, the vessel which has arrived at Singapore for the past three years, arrived at Singapore about half past three o'clock on the 2nd instant. The passage from Woosung bar a record of fourteen knots was made in 24 hours, breaking all previous records. She took on board 100 tons of coal, and started on her homeward voyage at ten o'clock.

A misfortune's entertainment will be given by the 1st A. & S. Highland and Military Mummers in the Garrison Theatre, Hongkong, the 11th instant, on behalf of the Society, and six children of the late Master Gunner Kimber, R.A. The performance will commence at 9 p.m. The theatre is small and when seated to half-a-hundred over to the widow. Considering the very tragic object for which the performance is to be given, they ought to have no difficulty in carrying their general desire into effect.

Mr. O'Malley (the Chief Justice of the Straits Settlements), had to sentence a 16-year-old boy, a few days ago, a European named Joseph Weller, who had murdered his wife. The *Straits Times*, remarks, at the end of its report of the trial—

"Members of the jury and other persons in Court say that the Chief Justice inhumanly his words so low a tone as to almost hissable,

and the prisoners who heard the judgment could not catch the words and did not even understand what had been said by the judge." We can quite understand this. When Mr. O'Malley wants to lay emphasis on anything he says he drops the words to an inaudible whisper. The idea is peculiar, but no doubt the impression produced by seeing the judge lips moving without sound, from time to time, may sometimes be deeper than if the words intended to be spoken were heard.

The object of the proposed smuggling suppression syndicate seems pretty evident.

How far the Vicerey may see through the trick we do not know; he is an old man and possibly his acuteness of mental vision may have become somewhat dimmed. What the petitioners propose to pay for, however, is

Stanley's Operatic, Burlesque, and Comedy Company arrived here yesterday by the 1st & O. W. T. Co., from the *China Mail*. The Company is the largest that has ever visited the Far East, and the leading members, including the press notaries are very accomplished artists.

The Japanese *Gazette* says—H.H. Prince Arisugawa Taruhito will make the overland journey to Kobe early in June, and then go on to Yamaguchi to inspect the site for the construction of the fortresses to be erected on the coast. He will also view the fortresses at Idzahara, Chikibu, Tsurumi Island, and the Tokio troops stationed there.

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buyers' "quickness in hand," and the distinctive but indescribable "Hobson" flavor.

But Koenings are certainly the best of the Klenges to be caused, it is said, in some respects by the adventure of *Tak Hing* May 26 last. And being held up at sea, it is likely cheap shipping of these kinds may look forward with some ground of hope to favourable account sales. Again, should the inferiority of the Ningchows ultimately become more pronounced, London experts may have to pay extreme prices for Keemeng for the Continental trade.

Below tea from the Yangtze River, and Sungtien districts have reached their peak, what has been lost for years a true Potosi haven, but the abnormal prices of Tis. 36 to 38 have put them quite out of the reach of English buyers.

Tow-teas and Oolongs are much off last year to quality, but not as to price; and nothing but a decline of Tis. 15 to 20 per picul would put these once popular teas being shipped to London.

Perhaps the best value for the home market has been found in the well made but tarry Lings, and the clean Shantians at Tis. 8 to 12 per picul, or \$3d. per lb.

The present stocks comprise some of the most undesirable Ningchows seen for many a day, and much absolute rubbish in the Ocean and Oopack tea, which is now almost out of the market to the advantage of the tea-growing.

There has been nothing in the prospect or in the quality of the tea to justify this unprecedented rush. Every day has been fully occupied with the duty of "collecting," for buying in the true sense has been entirely out of the question.

Even *Sunday shan* is a *sabot day* for the poor tea-taster. He cannot "divide the Sunday."

If tea can be wise then will let walk alone, will shut the book, and devote the rest of the season to *joie piedra*.

The following figures are worth consideration:

In 1890... 1,582.
Arrivals to date are 2,000. H'way tea agt. 377,000
302,000 K'king tea... 275,000

Total arrivals... 720,000 piculs. 635,000

Settlements to date, 323,000 H'way tea agt. 321,000

227,000 K'king tea... 184,000

Total settlements... 550,000 against... 435,000

Present stocks are... 600,000 H'way tea agt. 151,000

83,000 K'king tea... 95,000

Total... 1,230,000 piculs. 950,000

The purchases since the commencement of the season comprise:—

+cheats +cheats

At Tis. 40 & upwards. 72,000 against 50,000 in 1889

Tis. 35... 30,000... 30,000

25 & 27... 34,000... 34,000

20 & 23... 30,000... 30,000

15 & 22... 15,000... 15,000

11 & 20... 15,000... 15,000

In round numbers... 551,000 against 410,000 in 1889.

Despite the apparently indiscriminate purchasing and the high rate of exchange, the cost of tea this season, with the exception of Tow-yus and Oolongs, were favorable to the shipper as compared with last season.

1890... 1,230.

Freight 00. Freight 40. Freight 60. Freight 45.

"The equal to the equal." The equal to the equal.

Hawkins... 18 & 20. 22 & 24. 26 & 28. 30 & 32. 34 & 36. 38 & 40. 42 & 44. 46 & 48. 50 & 52. 54 & 56. 58 & 60. 62 & 64. 66 & 68. 70 & 72. 74 & 76. 78 & 80. 82 & 84. 86 & 88. 90 & 92. 94 & 96. 98 & 100. 102 & 104. 106 & 108. 110 & 112. 114 & 116. 118 & 120. 122 & 124. 126 & 128. 130 & 132. 134 & 136. 138 & 140. 142 & 144. 146 & 148. 150 & 152. 154 & 156. 158 & 160. 162 & 164. 166 & 168. 170 & 172. 174 & 176. 178 & 180. 182 & 184. 186 & 188. 190 & 192. 194 & 196. 198 & 200. 202 & 204. 206 & 208. 210 & 212. 214 & 216. 218 & 220. 222 & 224. 226 & 228. 230 & 232. 234 & 236. 238 & 240. 242 & 244. 246 & 248. 250 & 252. 254 & 256. 258 & 260. 262 & 264. 266 & 268. 270 & 272. 274 & 276. 278 & 280. 282 & 284. 286 & 288. 290 & 292. 294 & 296. 298 & 300. 302 & 304. 306 & 308. 310 & 312. 314 & 316. 318 & 320. 322 & 324. 326 & 328. 330 & 332. 334 & 336. 338 & 340. 342 & 344. 346 & 348. 350 & 352. 354 & 356. 358 & 360. 362 & 364. 366 & 368. 370 & 372. 374 & 376. 378 & 380. 382 & 384. 386 & 388. 390 & 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MARINE HOTEL
HONGKONG.

The Undersigned begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, that he will OPEN THE MARINE HOTEL, on or about the 1st JULY.

THIS FIRST-CLASS HOTEL

Is situated on the Bank Wall opposite the Old P. & O. Wharf, and is now built after the designs of the Largest European Hotels. The BEDROOMS, BATH-ROOMS, &c., are commodious, well Ventilated and well Furnished, and are suitable for Single or Married Persons. The DINING ROOM is large and looks on the Harbour.

The TABER D' HÔTEL will be supplied with the best the market can provide.

The BAR and BILLIARD ROOMS are on the Grand Floor, and will be fitted up in superior style. ENGLISH AND AMERICAN TABLES.

WINEs and LIQUORS of the best qualities and Brands will be ample.

The Undersigned begs the patronage of the Public, hoping to give every satisfaction.

JAS EDWARDS,
Proprietor.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1890.

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